



# The Hickman Courier.

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## NO MORE TO ME.

A lone and silent I sit in my room,  
And wait to hear, through the gathering  
The footfalls of the dead.  
But still the light of life I see,  
For my love comes back no more to me.  
Her soft the light of her tender eyes,  
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As we stow beneath the glowing skies  
That smile, when I close my eyes,  
How sweetly I dream, how sweetly I dream.  
Toon for flocks or warm embers,  
And live and die, and take, with tender grace,  
But still no more to me shall be,  
For still the light of life I see,  
How sweetly I dream, how sweetly I dream.  
That still may be, when I stand  
With my love comes back no more to me,  
How sweetly I dream, how sweetly I dream.

## STEP-MOTHERS.

### A Few Words in Behalf of This Misjudged Class.

The world is every day growing more human, more just and charitable. The narrow, social, sectarian and religious views have so long divided man from man, have driven down human sympathies are breeding, a noble boy-room and fair play seems to be the most natural thing in the world.

But amid all the humanizing progress of our age there remain a few prejudices that like weeds rankle still, often, in the exterior and interior life of man; the cold, cold, hard, unfeeling step-mother, a class that with most of us may justly claim to be the most ill-treated portion of the human race.

The step-father and the father-in-law are the most natural and familiar members of society, with an unparable lack of chivalry, visits upon that so-called step-mother, and the like, are a common cher.

The world would much prefer models of portraits now patches, now repellent-portraits stowed away in most memories, than those that bring the light and torture of childhood days. On the cold, half-frozen, clinging under the load of a cruel task-mistress and tyrannical usage, the poor, little, fragile, little creature, who, after the arduous tasks of the day are ended, steals away to forth, maulaving plants and tears upon that sensuous—“to pray in agony to be rid of me,”—the heart of the home side of the one heart that has beat in union with its own.

The cold, cold, hard, unfeeling step-mother is a grim, remorseless model with cold, hard, unfeeling eyes, as her temper and almost meeting over the heart that beats within the cold, cold, hard, unfeeling step-mother, a class that with most of us may justly claim to be the most ill-treated portion of the human race.

By marrying a widower she has come at the same moment both wife and mother to the child.

With a heart full of kindly sentiments, with a sincere desire to do the best for the child, but in her case the faults are exaggerated.

The mother of the child is her task.

She will take the easiest case and make the most difficult, and the child is a girl, a lean, feeble subject for step-motherly management than a boy, her little charge (with his father, her husband) had led her to believe an angel in the flesh, and she is a mother.

She finds averted glances where she had hoped for the gaze of trust, and her loving words awake no response.

“The little one is shy and distrustful, like the other girls,” say the parents.

“She is a mother,” say the parents.

“She will soon be a mother,” say the parents.

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## THE HICKMAN COURIER.

Democratic Nomination.  
FOR STATE TREASURER,  
JAMES W. TATE,  
OF FRANKLIN COUNTY.

The Columbus Times says that Dr. Landrum, the Republican Prohibition candidate for the Senate in this District only last November voted for Blaine and against St. John. How thin the disguise is. They are not so much for prohibition, they are not much for Fox, but they are still somewhat in the Democratic party. Ask any so-called Republican Prohibitionist, if he voted for St. John! If not—why not?

The State Board of Equalization, the Board of Railroad Commissioners, and the Commissioner of Agriculture, could people the legislature with little each year, and what good do they do? Can any one tell? We don't know how the candidates for the Senate, or any other house, stand on these or other questions, but they should speak out.

There is much talk of the slaves in Bell, Breathitt, and other counties of Eastern Kentucky, belonging to Democratic or Republican factions. This is all humbug; they are violators of law, and should be spoken of and dealt with as such.

Is the public or private record of James W. Tate, there has never been a charge of anything wrong. He is the only Democrat to candidate—therefore let every man who is a Democrat vote for him.

Men who vote for prohibition are not only because they are the democrats, do not do the cause of prohibition, or temperance, any good, but an absolute injury.

Are you for prohibition for publican's sake, or to aid the Republican party? If so, honestly for prohibition, why did you abuse St. John, so, last year?

Silicon Hatchet has introduced a novel high-license liquor law in the New Hampshire legislature, it is wished for the license of any qualified voter who shall present to authority of his town or city a petition to the effect that the inhabitants of the qualified voters of his town or city the full number and address of all signs are being given for license is to be good for two years, and the fee to be \$1,000 in every city and town, \$500 in every town, \$250 in every town of 4,000 to 6,000 inhabitants, \$600 in towns of from 3,000 to 4,000, and \$100 in towns of from 2,000 to 3,000, and \$50 for each 1,000 increase in population.

The English language is now spoken by all some 500,000 of the 37,000,000 persons in the British Islands, by 33,000,000 out of 56,000,000 in the United States, by 4,000,000 persons in Canada, 3,000,000 in Australia, 1,700,000 persons in the West Indies, and perhaps by 1,000,000 in the other British Colonies. This brings up the total to 100,000,000, which can not be very far from the truth of the matter. The English language will greatly assist the medium of conversation throughout the civilized world.

Federal Judgeships, Becoming Vacant.

Philadelphia Enquirer—Letter.

The visit of Washington to the South to Washington receives the rumor that he is to succeed Mr. Justice Bradley by the bench of the United States Supreme Court. The appointment of Mr. Justice Bradley reached the age of seventy—at which Justice of the Supreme Court may retire—on the 1st of July, and is expected to go to the fall. Chief Justice Waite will reach the age of seventy on the 29th of November, and will be succeeded on the 8th of April, 1884, and Mr. Justice Field on the 4th of November. So President Grant will have to fill four vacancies in the United States Supreme Court to fill before his term expires.

Senatorial Election.

FRANKFORT, KY., July 25, 1882.

To W. A. SAWYER, Sheriff—I had no notice of Senator Vaughan's death until I received your letter, and I am sorry to learn of his election for first Monday in August. Give notice accordingly.

J. PROCTOR KNOTT.

The process of the election will be found elsewhere in this issue.

It will be seen that Sheriff Knott's letter brought the order just in the nick of time; otherwise the election might have gone by default.

Col. James W. Tate is running as a Democratic candidate for Treasurer, and is the only candidate apparently so to do in this party. He is a good man, and the candidate of the Prohibitionists, and is being supported almost solidly by the Republican party.

The Governor of Kansas has issued a proclamation prohibiting the driving of infected cattle through any portion of the State, Senate.

## Pumping the Vice-President.

DRESDEN, July 21.—Vice-President Lincoln and Congressmen of Bohemia, with their wives, are in the city on their way to Bayfield, Wisconsin. The Vice-President is reported by an Evening Journal reporter and, after warningly enjoining Gen. Grant, said:

"Do you anticipate any conflict this fall between the President and the Senate?"

"I did not," he said, "but I thought that the Democratic Senators would recognize the result of the last election, and, consequently, of the officials."

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